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For: SECONDARY BATTERY POWER STORAGE SYSTEM

Continuation of Reissue Application of Serial  
No. 09/708,562, which is a Reissue Application  
of U.S. Patent No. 5,384,922

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 6, 2002

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully  
submitted in connection with the above-identified continuation  
reissue application.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Col. 1, after the title, insert the following paragraph:

--This is a continuation of reissue application Serial  
No. 09/708,562, filed November 9, 2000, the subject matter of  
which is incorporated by reference herein.--

**REMARKS**

By the above amendment, the specification has been  
amended to point out that this reissue application is a

continuation of reissue application Serial No. 09/708,562,  
filed November 9, 2000.

It is noted that the claims of this continuation of the  
prior reissue application include claims 1-31 of the original  
patent no. 5,834,922 without amendment, new dependent claims  
32 and 33 which depend directly or indirectly from claim 31,  
and new independent claim 34, which corresponds to claim 47 of  
reissue application Serial No. 09/708,562, in modified form,  
and new dependent claim 35 dependent therefrom.

Favorable action in this application is requested.

To the extent necessary, applicant's petition for an  
extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any  
shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this  
paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account  
No. 01-2135 (501.39180RC2) and please credit any excess fees  
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